

March 23, 2010

Greater Rochester/Monroe County Community Response Team ATTN: Judy Seil, Director Monroe County Planning and Development 8100 City Place 50 West Main Street.

Rochester, NY 14614

Dear Ms. Seil:

I am writing to express WXXI's enthusiastic support for the collaborative initiative between Monroe County and the City of Rochester to encourage Google to build an experimental fiber network in Monroe County. As a part of the regional public communication infrastructure, WXXI is the community's sole public media service, including television, radio and online media. The station is dedicated to engaging the community with high-quality news, education and arts programming.

WXXI has a long history of leadership in making creative, innovative use of digital technology to serve the education, health, civic engagement, arts and culture needs of the region. The project could have very positive impact on our multi-media outreach efforts and new initiatives in public engagement. Issues with access and the digital divide, as well as the limitations of current broadband capacity, have put limits on the development of our educational, informational and cultural applications of digital technology.

We look forward to providing increasingly rich interactive services, including two-way interactivity and on-demand video applications, to meet the growing demands of the public and strongly encourage Google to consider this region for investment in improved network capacity.

Sincerely.

Susan M. Rogers, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President & General Manager